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In Re The Application of:  
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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LETTER

We appreciate receiving the faxed copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 09/17/01.

The Official Action dated 05/08/01 rejected claims 1 to 11. On September 4, 2001, applicant filed a response to that action (along with a request for a one month extension) listing the undersigned's current address, canceling the rejected claims, adding new claims 12 to 23 and presenting a supporting argument. Thus, that amendment was fully responsive to the Official Action.

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The undersigned also volunteered certain changes to the specification, which were not in strict compliance with Rule 1.121. However, those voluntary amendments do not render the Amendment as a whole non-responsive.

We submit that the Examiner should have simply refused to enter the voluntary amendments to the specification and examined the new claims 12 -23 on the merits.

As discussed on the phone, the undersigned never received the 09/17/01 Notice which was apparently mailed to his old address.

On April 10, 2001 a secretary in the undersigned's law firm sent a letter to the PTO Box EBC, about updating the office address for all the firm's applications. A copy of that letter is enclosed. Because not all of our firm's caseload was reflected in the Customer Upload Report from the PTO, additional letters were sent on August 21, 2001 and April 17, 2002 (copies enclosed).

Also, on April 2, 2002, a change of address was specifically filed in the present application.

It is apparent from the foregoing that the applicant made a good forth effort to change the correspondence address for this application.

In any event, the fact that the applicant did not respond to the Notice dated 09/17/01 does not make the Amendment filed September 4, 2001 non-responsive because the Examiner never requested the specification changes which were the subject of that Notice.

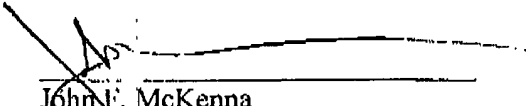
If we had received that Notice, we would have promptly filed a response making the same amendment in accordance with Rule 1.121 instructing the Examiner to replace the specification with the enclosed Substitute Specification and including the enclosed version

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thereof showing the changes from the previous version. The Substitute Specification contains no new matter. We request that those amendments be entered and the application reexamined with claims 12-23.

Please charge any additional fee occasioned by this paper to our Deposit Account No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,



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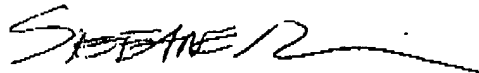
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The excel spreadsheet and diskette not only contains the corrected applications and/or patents, but also includes all the applications and/or patents that were previously accepted according to your Customer Number Upload Report. After speaking with you on the phone, you indicated that this was an acceptable way to do this.

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